

Asthma & Diesel Exhaust

- Particles in air pollution can aggravate asthma & respiratory symptoms
- Children are sensitive to air pollution -- their lungs are developing and they have a faster breathing rate

Did you Know?



Children diagnosed with asthma doubled between 1983 and 1995.

13.2% of Maine children have been diagnosed with asthma.



- Nearly 1 in 5 households with a child has at least one child with **asthma** *

Asthma related absences each year in Maine:

65,000 lost school days

37,500 lost work days